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Govt Given Food For Thought

THE Unofficials yesterday performed a public service in the Budget debate, not only because of the close analysis they devoted to the financial, economic and social problems which confront the Colony, but because at the same time they put forward a number of constructive ideas and suggestions which provide Government with a considerable amount of food for thought. Noticeably the subject most forcefully argued was housing, with its related questions of squatter resettlement, commercial buildings and factory development. Many indeed will be intrigued and impressed by the variety of considerations which the Unofficials succeeded in dovetailing into the general question of building expansion. The Hon. M.W. Lo, for example, is convinced that modification of Government's building covenant will do much to stimulate private enterprise to build more and cheaper houses; the Hon. Cedric Blaker sees in a ready agreement on the resumption of the Queen's Road military lands a solution to the problem of finding sufficient and suitable sites for office and domestic buildings, and he also believes that Government could encourage more building by opening up a number of reserved areas; the Hon. Kwok Chan advanced the proposition that more cheap land should be made available for the construction of houses for factory workers, while the Hon. Duhun Ruttonjee put forward two interesting suggestions—that prefabricated structures should be imported and used for squatter resettlement and that something positive should be done about developing areas at Shatin and Lai Chik Kok to provide cottage-type houses for the white-collar classes.

NONE of these proposals can be ruled out of court as being either impracticable or undesirable. They must, indeed, be given full weight by Government in implementing its policies for dealing with housing and its allied problems. It is true that the idea of Hongkong importing prefabricated dwelling houses was put forward shortly after Liberation and was turned down principally because the Building Authority considered they would not be able to withstand a typhoon. But Mr Ruttonjee has today a pretty convincing reply to this objection, and he bolsters his case by showing that prefabs are not only cheaper than anything similar could be built in Hongkong, but that they can be very quickly assembled and possess the added advantage of being portable. We certainly feel that the case for the introduction of prefabricated houses in the Colony should be seriously reviewed by Government. Opportunity should also be taken for a re-opening with the War Office of the question of military lands, with an eye to reaching finality as speedily as possible. The lands today are vastly more important to the interests of the Colony as a whole than to the Military in particular. Much of the area in question is undeveloped, and this is not a time when the Colony can afford to indulge in the luxury of wasted building sites. The need for suitable land on which to erect business as well as domestic buildings is now chronic, and it is a situation which needs to be presented to Whitehall in the most forcible manner. Land-starved Hongkong can no longer afford to have such a valuable area alienated.

Bus Outrage: Passengers Shot In Cold Blood

ELEVEN KILLED: FOUR SURVIVORS

Tel-Aviv, Mar. 17.

Eleven people in a bus travelling from Elath to Beersheba were shot dead today by Arabs who were believed to have infiltrated from Jordan, Israeli reports said tonight.

A woman and child, who pretended they were dead and two soldiers, who were wounded, were the only survivors.

Reports from Beersheba said the bus was attacked when it was south of Scorpions Pass. A burst of automatic fire killed the driver and the vehicle stopped.

Khaki-clad figures then entered the bus and shot the passengers, the reports added.

According to survivors of today's attack the bus had halted at the foot of a pass and passengers got out to take pictures.

Just as the bus resumed its journey sub-machineguns opened fire from some distance away.

The vehicle ran into a ditch when the driver was killed.

Survivors said Arabs dressed in khaki entered the bus firing with automatic weapons at all passengers showing signs of life. Two soldiers, women and children were amongst the dead.

The driver's daughter was the child who escaped.

An Israeli Army Command unit discovered the incident and took four wounded to Beersheba.

Arabs sources said they had no official information about the incident but quoted unconfirmed reports by survivors arriving in Beersheba.

United Nations observers from Jerusalem will go to the scene of the attack tomorrow morning. The bodies are being left there overnight.

Israeli Radio tonight broadcast the following Government statement:

Queen's Life Again Threatened

London, Mar. 17.

A letter threatening to kill Queen Elizabeth if she sets foot in Gibraltar has been received by a British MP.

The letter, which bore a London postmark, was to Mr Clement Davies, Liberal leader in the House of Commons. It said: "If your Queen sets foot in Gibraltar, we shall kill her."

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh plan to visit Gibraltar on the way back from their world tour. This has led to protests from the Spanish Government which have been rejected by the British Foreign Office.

Mr Davies said the letter might have come from a madman.

He had sent it to Scotland Yard, who were examining it for finger prints.

A similar letter threatening the Queen is understood to have been received by Mr Attlee and other members of Parliament.—Reuter.

Reds Closing In Against Dien Bien Phu

Hanoi, Mar. 17.

A military spokesman said at nightfall that the Reds were closing in against the French Dien Bien Phu ring—usually an indication of an imminent jump-off.

The constant artillery duel stepped up its tempo and a series of small clashes broke out around the perimeter. One Communist 57-mm recoilless rifle was seized in a tank-supported French Union sortie. A machine-gun nest also was overrun.—United Press.

Washington Talks

Paris, Mar. 17. French Army Chief of Staff, General Paul Ely, will fly to Washington this Friday to discuss the military and political situation in Indo-China with top United States officials, the National Defence Ministry said tonight.

Gen. Ely will meet with the United States Defence Secretary, Mr Charles E. Wilson, the Under-Secretary of State, Mr Bedell Smith, members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and other high-ranking American officials.

The General's mission will be political as well as military, it was explained, because he is replacing the French Defence Minister, M. René Plevien, on the United States trip. M. Plevien originally was invited to come to the US by President Eisenhower.

Gen. Ely was instructed to proceed to Washington as quickly as possible at a meeting last Saturday of the National Defence Council. The Council, the highest defence body in France, heard a super-secret report by M. Plevien on his February tour of Indo-China. It recommended that it would be more politic for M. Plevien not to visit the United States at this time.—United Press.

Convicted Of Manslaughter

Barrie, Ontario, Mar. 17. Two Toronto youths were convicted of manslaughter for the slaying of Fred "Scoty" Cameron, a former English soccer star for Wolverhampton.

An all-male jury reduced the murder charges against William Kingley, 19, and Ian Robertson, 20. They were accused of firing five shots into the 55-year-old Toronto brewer-messenger and leaving his body in a ditch after stealing \$14.

The Assizes Court jury brought in the verdict shortly before 8 p.m. after deliberating since 10.55 a.m. The pair were remanded for sentence until Friday.—United Press.

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NEW ANGLO-CHINESE TRADE PARLEYS

British Businessmen To Receive Invitations

London, Mar. 17.

Mr Roland Berger, Chairman of a "China Trade Committee," which is organising private trade with the Chinese Communist Government, announced tonight that a group of British businessmen would be invited to meet a Chinese trading delegation in East Berlin "within two or three weeks."

He made this announcement on his arrival in London by air from East Berlin, where he has spent several days with a Chinese trade mission which last Saturday postponed suddenly a meeting with 40 British businessmen.

Mr Berger told Reuter: "I expect to get details of the new trade meeting at the end of this week or early next week. Then we will begin advising interested firms."

Describing the postponed talks in East Berlin, Mr. Berger said: "I all stems from a visit to Peking last July by a group of British businessmen who were promised £15 million worth of trade within 12 months."

"Some of us said that in view of the British Government's objection to Mr. Berger, we should be obliged if the Chinese would deal with us direct, but the reply was that it was against the policy of the Government to deal with individual firms."

"The rest has been blocked by the British Government under regulations restricting trade with Communist countries."

"Under the terms of the Peking arrangement contracts were to be placed for the remaining £6 million by June 30 this year."

"This was the reason for the meeting in East Berlin."

"The Chinese sent out lists of firms interested and about 40 businessmen were to meet a trade delegation there this week."

"But last Saturday the Chinese decided to postpone the meeting because they felt they could increase the scope of their shopping lists."

"Most of the businessmen were advised but 10 turned up in East Berlin."

MET LEADER

They met the Chinese and Yu Meh Chien, leader of the delegation, told them that both the volume of trade and the variety of goods could be increased at a later meeting."

One of the 16 businessmen, Mr. R. W. Houchin, Managing Director of a London electrical engineering firm, said today:

"We assembled in the lobby of the Chinese Import Export Corporation Building in the Eastern sector of Berlin."

One of the Egyptians had a Sten gun and opened fire.

Two of the British soldiers were hit and one of them was seriously wounded. The other three escaped injury, the British military authorities stated.—Reuter.

British Soldiers Attacked

Cairo, Mar. 18.

Two small British military parties were attacked by Egyptian terrorists with automatic fire in the Canal Zone last night.

Five signalmen of the Royal Corps of Signals were returning to their camp in the Fayid area when three Egyptians appeared on the railway track about ten yards away.

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Ex-General And Lawyer Held

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Police arrested a Pakistan lawyer and a retired General and seized arms and ammunition in a surprise dawn raid here on the day King Faizal of Iraq arrived in Karachi on a State visit. It was disclosed today.

The King arrived on March 12 to spend five days at the Governor-General's residence and then tour the country.

The two men arrested, "in apprehension of an immediate breach of the peace," were Major-General Majeed, retired officer of the Pakistan Army, and Huzur Hashmi, a local advocate.

The police are still holding 21 people detained yesterday.

Both are being held incommunicado under the Pakistan Security Act.—Reuter.

Office Fired By Students

Seville, Mar. 17.

Students today set fire to a small wooden office used by the Tramway Company in the Seville suburb of Hellipolis and dragged it blazing through the streets in protest against a 30 per cent increase in fares.

Despite three days of student demonstrations against the increase, trams are still running normally—but with police protection.

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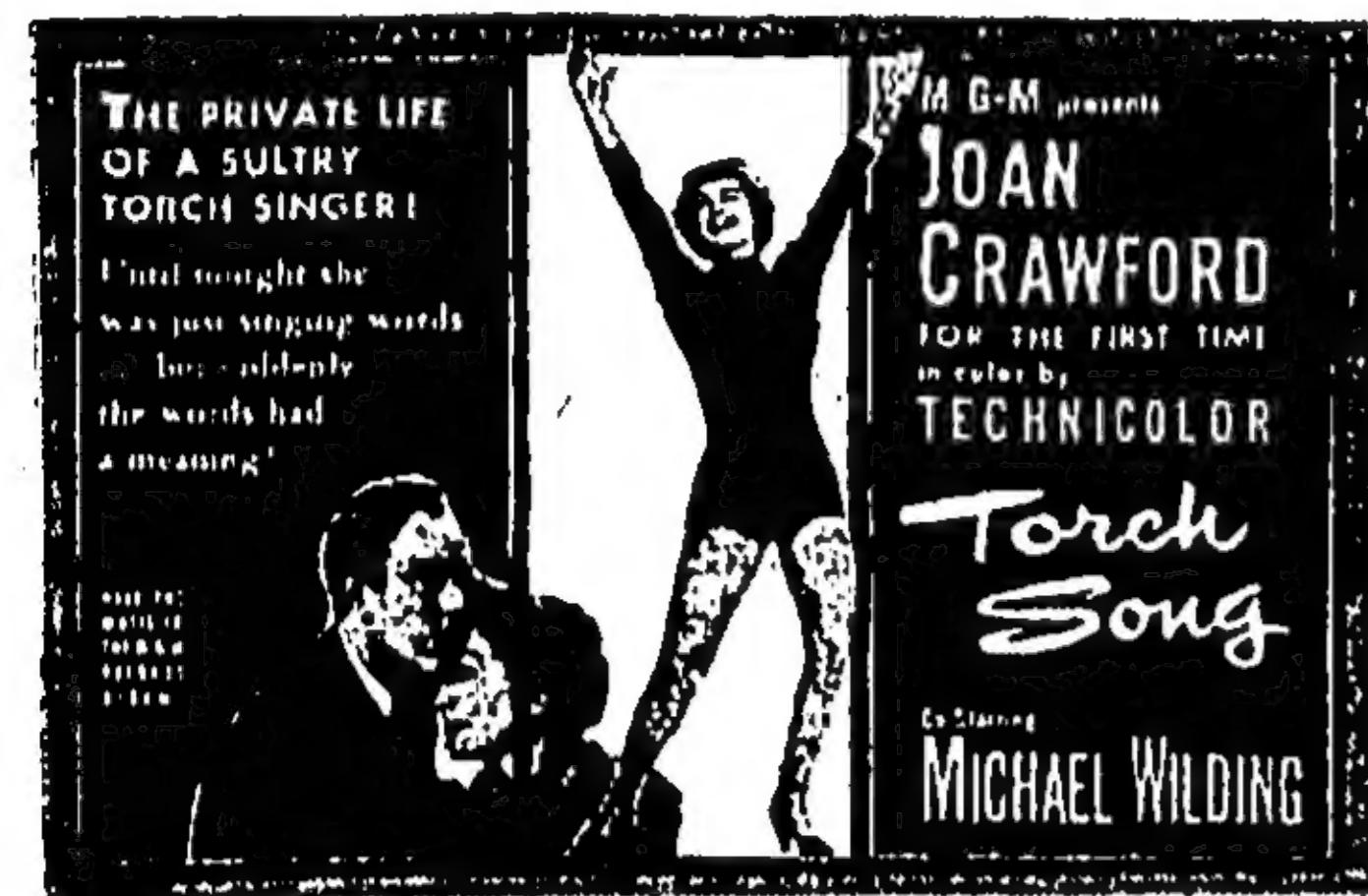
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AMERICA ACCUSED OF "DUMPING"

Australian Wheat Board's Strong Complaint

Melbourne, Mar. 17. The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, Sir John Treasdale, tonight described recent United States sales of wheat to Spain and Japan as "dumping".

If America continued this policy, Australia would have considerable difficulty in making export sales, he said.

Australia had tendered a "favourable price" for the supply of 200,000 tons of wheat to Spain. "But in face of American willingness to accept payment in Spanish currency, no tender at any price by Australia could hope to succeed in securing the business," Sir John said.

"Despite the pretence that such sales are made for defence or social reasons, the proper name for such transactions is dumping," Reuter.

"ALARMING"

Liverpool, Mar. 17.

The United States Government's use of its defence programme to promote exports of American wheat was attacked today by a grain trade journal as "alarming" for other exporting countries without the means to adopt similar methods.

The journal, Corn Trade News, based its attack on recent large sales of American wheat to Spain and Japan for payment in local currencies to be used in building bases in Spain and assisting Japanese defence.

The journal declared that military aid might continue for many years. What was now being done for Japan and Spain might be done tomorrow for Germany and even Britain. The countries of most military importance to the United States also happened to be the largest importers of wheat.

The journal said that it had been supposed that American wheat cultivation would be cut back year by year until the present large accumulation had been disposed of.

UNCERTAIN ELEMENT

That possibility still remained but the latest decision to use the defence programme for promoting sales of wheat and other agricultural products introduced a new uncertain element into the situation.

The Corn Trade News added that in both Australia and Canada, the reaction to the

"Wild Man" Arrested In Denmark

Copenhagen, Mar. 17.

Magnus Christian Petersen lived in the dense woods near Silkeborg in central Jutland for a year avoiding contact with his fellow men, and obtaining his food, according to the police, by thefts from isolated houses and farms or from stolen animals.

Finally 50 police with dogs were organised to bring him out and after a man hunt lasting many hours he was tracked down.

He submitted tamely and was taken to the police station.

The "wild man of the woods," as people called him, was an amazing sight with his long, uncult hair and beard falling over his shoulders and coat, and both thickly matted with dirt and icicles.

Throughout the bitter cold of the last six weeks he has slept in the open.—China Mail Special.

Harry Odell says

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Criticised For Importing Whisky

TOKYO, Mar. 17. A Socialist member of Japan's House of Councilors (Upper House) today criticised the Government for importing Scotch whisky when it was advocating an austerity programme to save fast dwindling foreign exchange reserves.

Announcing the allocations of foreign exchange to import British sweets, biscuits and whisky, the Trade Minister, Mr. Kichiji Aichi, replied that Scotch whisky was being imported under the financial agreement with Britain, and would continue to be imported.—Reuter.

Easing Travel In Germany:

West's New Approach To Russians

BONN, Mar. 17. The three Western High Commissioners have proposed a meeting with Mr. Vladimir Semeonov, the Soviet High Commissioner, to discuss the easing of travel between East and West Germany.

They made this proposal in identical letters to Mr. Semeonov, which were published here today.

Mr. Semeonov has already rejected the same proposal, which the Western High Commissioners first made last month.

The Western High Commissioners rejected Mr. Semeonov's contention that the removal of travel restrictions should be a matter for committees composed of representatives of East and West Germany. They again stated that they regarded it as the duty of the four occupying powers to see to it that these restrictions are removed.

"EVASION" ALLEGED

At the same time, the three Western Commandants of Berlin renewed their proposals to discuss with the Soviet authorities measures to eliminate restrictions on the freedom of communications in the four-power city.

In identical letters to the Commandants sent to Mr. S. A. Dengin, Berlin representative of the Soviet High Commission, they regretted that the Soviet authorities had "evaded" their previous proposal for such four-power talks on the Commandants' level. The texts of their letters were released in Berlin today.

The Berlin Commandants said that certain of their previous proposals required only a unilateral decision by the Soviet authorities and that there was no need for discussions by all-German "committees" as demanded by the Soviet authorities.—Reuter.

Premier Earl Wants His

Land Freed

The Earl of Shrewsbury, 39, premier Earl of England, has petitioned for leave to bring a private Bill enabling the family settled estates to be disentailed. The legislation is also designed to enable capital to be raised from them.

Among the main features of the Bill is a provision to abolish prohibitions imposed by 18th-Century acts relating to the settled property. The Earl is not in a position to disentail because of these limitations.

The Bill would also empower each life tenant of the settled property to raise capital up to £25,000 during each five-year period for personal use.

Because this might mean a whittling down of the estate, provision has been included for property in the West End to be settled on trust to accumulate income for 21 years. It would then be held on trust for the benefit of future title holders.

SETTLEMENT INVESTMENT

An investment at present valued at £20,000 would also be settled. Neither the present peer nor his cousin, Mr. Bryan Hervey Chetwynd-Talbot, who until the birth in 1951 of Lord Shrewsbury's son and heir, was heir presumptive, would have an interest in these two clauses.

The two Governments agreed, the communiqué said, that "expedients" that might slow down the advance of freer world trade should not be used to solve temporary economic problems.

The United States has large surplus supplies of agricultural products and Canada is finding it increasingly harder to sell wheat. In addition, Canada has a growing butter surplus, as has the United States and recently has sold large amounts of meat at near fire-sale prices.—United Press.

Trade Talks

At Caracas

Caracas, Mar. 17.

Trade questions were taken up again today at the Inter-American Conference here when the working group of the sub-committee on trade co-operation decided to submit two draft resolutions presented by the United States and by Mexico and Venezuela, jointly.

The Mexican-Venezuelan resolution demands that the industrialised countries of the American continent should "eliminate all types of restrictions on raw materials coming from less-developed American countries and to eliminate all discrimination on the import of these products."

The US resolution, however, recommends only that the American countries do not increase their trade restrictions and that they reduce or eliminate them in order to stimulate an international and multilateral trade.

Discussions on these two draft resolutions will continue tomorrow before the sub-committee on trade co-operation.—France-Press.

"Not Realistic"

Berkeley, California, Mar. 17. A former Professor of Political Science at the University of California, Mr. T. A. Bisson, said in a report issued today that the abolition of the monopolistic Saibnat combines in Japan was not realistic, either from an economic or political viewpoint.

The combines were broken up in execution of policies followed by the United States forces of occupation.

Mr. Bisson said "the task of keeping a free enterprise system even reasonably free of combination and monopoly is a difficult one even for a country like the United States."

"There was no reason to expect that it would be easier in Japan where no economic or political patterns favour free enterprise and competition.—France-Press.

Sentenced, Then Set Free

Karlsruhe, Mar. 17. Joseph Gebhardt, 37, a West German businessman, has been sentenced to 17 months' imprisonment for having treasonable relations with East German and Soviet espionage agents.

The court ordered Gebhardt to be set free as the time he spent in custody since his arrest in April 1953 was counted towards the sentence.—Reuter.

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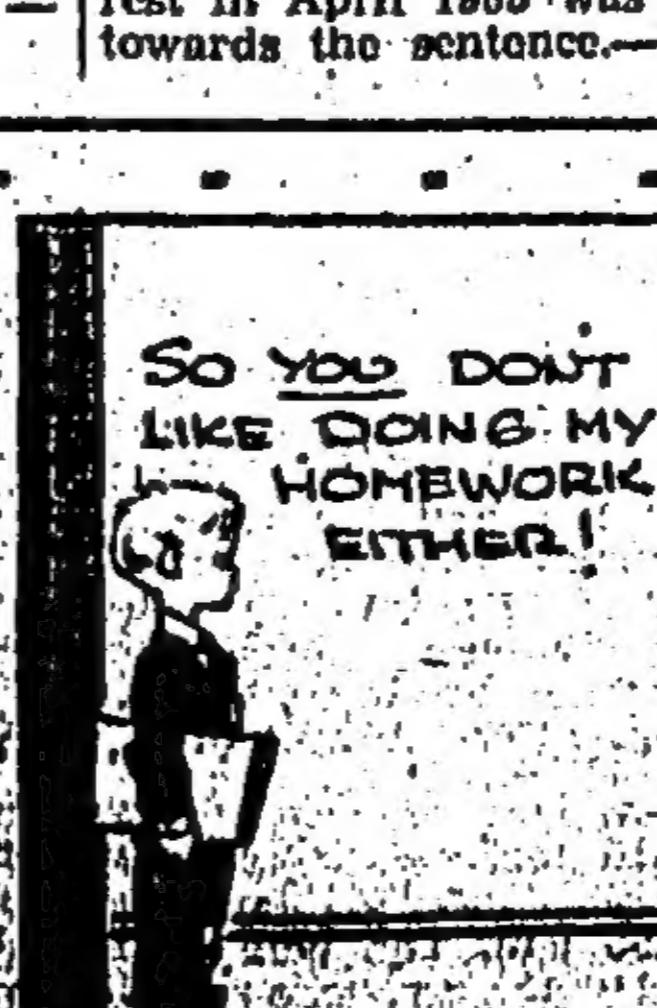
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Digging Up England's History

More of the ancient history of Old Windsor is expected to be revealed this year because of financial support given by the Queen and local authorities. Berkshire Archaeological Society have their plans well advanced to carry out excavations this summer in the Windsor district known as the Kinsbury site.

Written history shows that Edward the Confessor and early Norman kings had their favourite home there.

In Domesday times it was known as Kinsbury and was the second largest town in Berkshire.

Preliminary excavations were started when engineers were digging on the site.

They had no idea they would be discovering a forgotten town. That was in 1951.

Since then organisations have been trying to finance proper excavation work.

QUEEN'S SUPPORT

Appeals were made. The Queen, the Society of Antiquaries, Windsor Corporation and other supporters gave money.

Excavations have already shown pits containing bones, pottery, from the 7th to 13th century and other signs of habitation.

Mr Brian Hope-Taylor, a member of Berkshire Archaeological Society, said that from the number of Roman tiles discovered there may have been a Roman building on the site, and it is possible that a Royal house existed there before the 11th century.

The amount of pagan Saxon pottery found, and the extent of the area of historic wealth, have surprised the Society. — London Express Service.

Bombing Protest

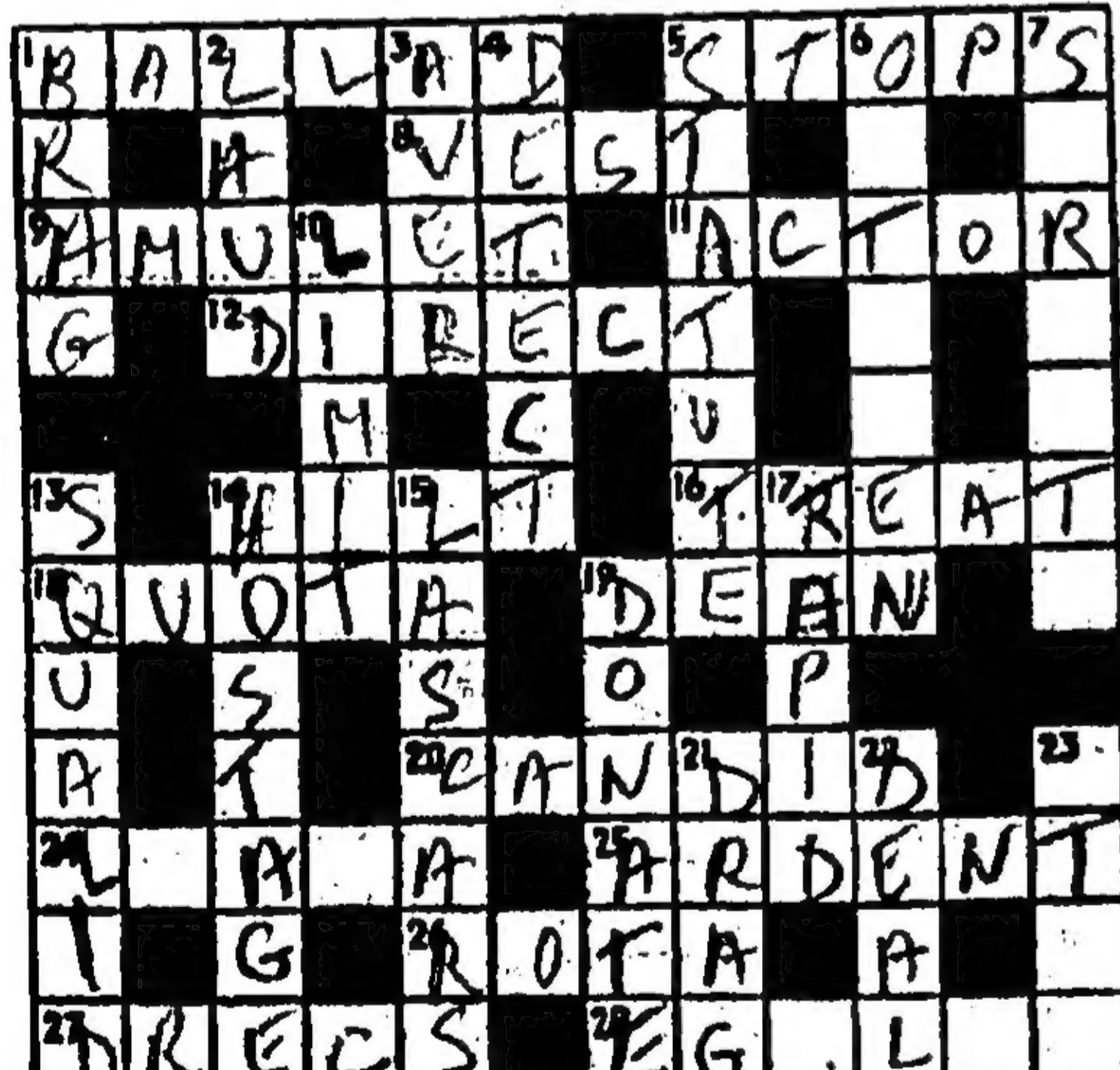
Bangkok, Mar. 17. The United States delegates on the joint committee for the evacuation of the Chinese troops charged the Burmese Government with unfair practices today in a protest against the bombing of Chinese guerrillas in the Menghshai area recently.

The guerrillas were gathering at that point to evacuate into Thailand in conformity with the United Nations evacuation scheme when they were bombed by Burmese planes, it was charged. — France-Press.

Same Accident

Brantford, Ontario, Mar. 17. Two weeks ago a dairy truck left unattended rolled down a hill, hit several parking meters and crashed into a car. It did the same thing yesterday. — United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Popular song (6).
- Ceased (5).
- Garment (4).
- Charm (6).
- Performer (5).
- Straight (6).
- Sword handle (4).
- Feature (5).
- Ration (5).
- Cleric (4).
- Frank (6).
- Animal (6).
- Zealous (6).
- Duty-list (4).
- Lees (5).
- Make use of (6).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Aches, 4. mallet, 8. Ballad, 10. Lilo, 12. Ribon, 14. Tractor, 17. Test, 19. Cements, 20. Smashes, 22. Nest, 23. Botters, 27. Serend, 29. Tripes, 30. Tauton, 31. Hailing, 32. Heave, 33. Down, 1. Ambit, 2. Hails, 3. Start, 4. Able, 6. Lestern, 7. Treats, 9. Doctor, 11. Intent, 13. Present, 15. Rome, 16. Instep, 18. Sitr, 20. Snatch, 21. Assent, 24. Teach, 25. Extra, 26. Sings, 28. Rein.

"Don't Place Too Much Faith In Them"

London, Mar. 17.

A Marshal of the Royal Air Force and former Chief of the Air Staff, Lord Tedder, tonight warned Britain against placing too much faith in guided weapons.

The guided missile — "that fantastic menagerie of electronic ingenuity" — should not be regarded as unanswerable, he told the House of Lords in a debate on defence.

Electronic brains were wonderful inventions but experience had shown in a campaign known as "radio counter measure" that some very strange things could be made to happen in the electronic atmosphere or the ether.

Lord Tedder, who was deputy to General Eisenhower at one stage in the last war, said a truly supersonic bomber might well be a more reliable and more economical weapon than "missile projectiles."

He asked whether or not the Air Staff had asked for a supersonic bomber. — Reuter.

America Has 18 Types

Washington, Mar. 17.

The US Defence Department today disclosed that 18 types of guided missiles were now being bought for the armed forces.

An official document revealed a wide range of automatic

weapons development, from small anti-aircraft missiles to huge piloted bombers able to carry atomic warheads.

The document also confirmed that several new aircraft have been ordered, including the Air Force's F-105 supersonic fighter-bomber and the Navy's sea-based F2Y fighter. Both are jet propelled and have delta or triangular wings.

Dimensions of the Army's "Honest John" rocket were made public.

The rocket, which is not a guided missile, is 30 inches in diameter and can hurl an atomic warhead 15 to 20 miles.

The weapons disclosures were made in a Defence Department directive outlining a new production reporting system. It is designed to cut red tape, save money and expose areas where schedules are not being met.

MAJOR "HARDGOODS"

The directive lists 560 items by name. They are said to be "all major hardgoods" in the aircraft, guided missiles, ships, tanks — automotive, weapons, ammunition and electronics fields.

The document showed that the Air Force has three pilotless bombers in production. The B-61 "Mutador" and B-62 "Snake" are launched from the ground against ground targets. One Matador Squadron now is en route to Europe. The B-63 "Rascal" can be carried by the 600-mile an hour B-47 jet bomber and launched against targets several hundred miles from its mother plane.

In the ensuing uproar, the Socialists retaliated by similar accusations against the Communists.

The Minister of the Interior said that some Soviet officers had threatened to take action against the Austrian authorities.

He said that he had been informed that a representative of the Soviet High Commissioner at Burgenland had told a postal chief that an Austrian minister had no right to counter-act the orders of an occupation power. — France-Press.

The argument regarding the admission of evidence was heard by the Judge in "closed court." — France-Press.

50-MILE RANGE

The Navy's surface-to-surface missile is the jet propelled Regulus. For launching against ground or sea targets from the air have the Dove, Petrel and Gorgon. Air-to-air missiles are the Oriole, Sidewinder and Sparrow I, II and III.

Besides its Nike, the Army has developed the Corporal missile which has a range of more than 50 miles.

A comparison with combat aircraft programmes indicated the guided missile programme's scope. The document listed 18 missile types, 10 fighter planes, and 18 bombers, including Navy patrol and attack types.

The document confirmed that the Air Force has ordered a turbo-prop version of its mammoth C-124 Globemaster transport. Designed the C-133, it has four gas turbine engines which drive propellers instead of producing jet thrusts as in turbo-jet engines. — United Press.

"Thanks For The Bag"

Westbury, New York, Mar. 17.

Robert Irwin smiled as he sold a customer in his diner a hamburger and put in the largest paper bag he had.

A few minutes later a man walked in — his face masked by a paper bag with eye-holes cut in it. He took \$50 from Irwin and said, "Thanks for the bag." — United Press.

Oil Talks Continue

London, Mar. 17.

Representatives of eight international oil companies met for an hour today at the Iranian Oil Company headquarters to discuss the creation of an international consortium for marketing Iranian oil.

This was the first meeting in several days. Another conference will be held tomorrow. — France-Press.

"Two Heads Are Better Than One"

London, Mar. 17. The former Chief of the Air Staff, Lord Tedder, in a debate in the House of Lords today compared British and American fighting men from his wartime experience. He said the British tendency was to be "very sound judgment but rather slow in decision."

The American was "very quick on the draw in decision and action, and perhaps not so thorough or reliable in his judgment."

He added "wherever there is a case of getting the best of both worlds it is by mixing the British and Americans."

These considerations mattered most of all in operations involving atomic weapons.

"Two heads are better than one — an American head and a British head."

He added: "But the British head will be of no account in such a duel unless it has power and experience behind it."

New Soviet Ambassador



Mr Alexander Bogomolov, the new Soviet Ambassador to Italy, seen when he presented his credentials to President Einaudi in Rome recently. — Express Photo.

Waved his arms and pounded his desk

Ike Was Excited At His Press Conference

Washington, Mar. 17. President Eisenhower today gave his press conference a new look at his Administration's "New Look" defence policy of instant retaliation against aggression.

The President turned away from the current debate by his Secretary of State, Senators and others over the constitutional, international and diplomatic implications of his Administration's decision to depend for defence principally upon "instant massive retaliation against aggression."

Mr Eisenhower called for a variety of situations that might arise. He said Congress would be consulted just as soon as possible — maybe the same night because war could not be waged without a declaration of war and the passing of the necessary appropriation funds.

But he made it clear that important decisions regarding a massive retaliatory attack would have to be made by him in his capacity both as President and Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces, before it would be possible to consult Congress, if they were not in session, to convene them. — China Mail Special.

CONSULTATION FIRST

Paris, Mar. 17. France is to ask the United States the exact meaning of Mr John Foster Dulles's statement to a Washington press conference last night that any attack on London or Paris would be followed automatically by retaliation by American forces.

He pointed out that he would immediately, in a matter of minutes have to do everything he should not only to save the people but also most quickly to diminish the power of the attacker.

Some observers felt it was improbable the debate would take place before the Geneva Conference, in view of the fact that the Parliamentary Committees on Foreign Affairs and War have not yet finished their studies of the EDC project and that the Socialist Party is expected to convene a national congress before the debate begins in the Assembly.

The latter factor alone, it was believed, would necessitate a delay of about three weeks before the opening of the debate.

Another reason why the opening of the debate prior to the Geneva talks was improbable, it was said, was the fact that conditions set forth by Premier Joseph Laniel in his statement of neutrality had not yet been met.

Mr. Laniel had indicated that the arrival of the EDC would be conditional upon the settling of the "various questions" of the "conflict of British and American interests."

When correspondents pressed him to define his position regarding the constitutional obligation of consulting Congress and other such questions, he replied that it was simply not possible to make a generalisation to fit the infinite

variety of situations that might arise.

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Russia Agrees To April 26 For Geneva Talks

Moscow, Mar. 17.

The Soviet Government today announced its agreement that the Geneva conference on the Far East should be opened in the Palais des Nations, former headquarters of the League of Nations, on April 26 as arranged.

The American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, said yesterday the conference might be delayed because, according to reports received in Washington, the Soviet Government had not yet received Chinese Communist agreement on the place and date of the conference.

Tonight's Russian announcement issued by Tass, the Soviet news agency, said the Chinese People's Republic also agreed with the Western proposal.

The announcement was made after Mr Charles E. Bohlen, the American Ambassador, had been received by the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Vassily Kuznetsov, who gave him the Soviet answer to the approaches he had made on behalf of all three Western Powers.

Mr Bohlen informed the British and French Ambassadors of the contents of the reply.

The Tass announcement said:

"On March 17, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the USSR, V. Kuznetsov, received Mr C. Bohlen, United States Ambassador in the USSR, and gave him the opinion of the Soviet Government on the memorandum of the United States Government of March 5 regarding certain questions in preparing the conference in Geneva on April 26.

ACCEPTABLE

"The memorandum stated that

the United States Government had discussed and agreed on all these questions with the Governments of the United Kingdom and France.

"V. Kuznetsov handed the Ambassador a memorandum in which the opinion of the Soviet Government on the preparation of the Geneva conference was expressed and which in particular stated that the proposal that the conference should be held in the Palais des Nations in Geneva is acceptable.

"The memorandum also stated that the opinion of the Soviet Government was discussed with the Government of the Chinese People's Republic, which reported that it was also in agreement with it." — Reuter.

Alarm In Honduras

Britain Sends Investigator

London, Mar. 17.

Britain today appointed 55-year-old Queen's Counsel, Sir Reginald Sharpe, to investigate alleged contacts between the Peoples United Party in British Honduras — main political party in the central American colony — and authorities in the neighbouring Communist-led state of Guatemala.

Sir Reginald will arrive in British Honduras on March 23 to begin his investigation.

The inquiry follows an urgent message to London from the Governor of British Honduras, Mr Patrick Muir Renison, expressing his alarm that the Peoples United Party, likely to win the April 23 election, had strong links with Guatemala.

The elections will be the first with universal suffrage under Britain's colonial policy of gradual self-government.

The Governor asked the British Government for the commission to investigate just how close the Peoples United Party was linked with Guatemala.

Sir Reginald Sharpe, who has been Chairman of the National Health Service Tribunal for England and Wales since 1948, will decide whether to hold its inquiry in public or in private.

Before World War II he was judge at the High Court of Rangoon.

Recently he also served as a member of the National Arbitration and Industrial Disputes Tribunals. — Reuter.

NOT SUSPENDED

London, Mar. 17. The Under-Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, Mr John Foster Dulles, denied in the House of Commons today that the Constitution of British Honduras had been suspended.

He had been asked by a Labour member if he could make a statement on the Constitution.

In a written reply he said: "We have found it necessary to suspend the Constitution of British Honduras. This is not true."

"What has happened is that there have been persistent rumours and allegations that one of the political parties in British Honduras has been seeking aid from the Government of Guatemala — a Government which for some time has been making a claim to this territory."

"The best way of following the matter up is to have an independent investigation and that is what we are going to do."

In the meantime consideration of the bill embodying certain of the provisions of the new Constitution is proceeding in the local legislature. — China Mail Special.

Queen And Duke Leave Queensland City

Brisbane, Mar. 18.

Queen Elizabeth files from here today to Broken Hill, Australia's "silver city" which is

★ DON IDDON'S DIARY ★

PUERTO RICO COMES TO PARK AVENUE

New York, Tuesday. At night now the police patrol New York's Puerto Rican section in pairs. Squad cars are never very far from the dense slums, which has been combed all week. In one day 90 people were arrested in widespread raids.

There are about 400,000 Puerto Ricans in New York, and, unlike the Negro, who is confined to Harlem, the Puerto Rican is spreading. The Park Avenue you don't know about begins at 80th Street and extends north to Harlem and the Bronx.

One minute you are walking past expensive apartment houses, with their coloured awnings and uniformed doormen taking poodles for a stroll, and the next you are plunged into tenements, rickety, cold-water flats, shacks, crumbling shops, malodorous markets, and dirt.

The 'dandies'

I HAVE been touring the Puerto Rican section during the past few days, since the mass shooting in Congress put the Puerto Ricans in the news. It was here that the plot was hatched. It is here that much of New York's crime flourishes.

I am not labelling the Puerto Rican community. There isn't one fanatic or extreme nationalist in 10,000, but living conditions are so appalling for many that crime comes easy.

I made my tour of the poor man's Park Avenue with a detective. He pointed to the signs "Don't Put Refuge in the Streets," and said: "Have you ever seen such a dump?"

Dark-skinned women sit on stoops, smoking, idly, and children, dodging the cars, playing in the streets.

The men, mostly short, moustached, and exotically dressed, in long white jackets, bell-bottom trousers, and fancy ties, hung in groups at corners and eyed us. These were the dandies, the sports, the sharp dressers.

"Park Avenue, New York City, Fifth Avenue, New York City—some Easter parade," said my detective.

Not enough

IT is obvious that something more will have to be done to help the Puerto Ricans. The city has tried, but not hard enough.

There are today more Puerto Ricans in New York than in San Juan, the capital of Puerto Rico.

The United States census classes them as white, although at least 60,000 of the city's Puerto Ricans are coloured and another 150,000 have some coloured blood.

They have clashed with the Negroes, who complain: "The Puerto Ricans are beginning to take away our homes."

Apart from East Harlem, where they originally encamped, they have made inroads on Upper Fifth Avenue as well

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as Park Avenue, and are now spreading down Central Park West.

It is only a question of time before they will move farther down town, and landlords and tenants of impressive and even luxurious apartment houses tell you: "The Puerto Ricans are only two bus stops away now."

Better at home'

NOT many of the Puerto Ricans I talked to seem to want to stay here. There said: "It's better at home"—home being their own tropical island.

New York's winter climate is too cold for them, and they feel they are being gouged through outrageous rents (they are) and are being discriminated against racially (they are).

Tens of thousands, disillusioned and bitter, do return to Puerto Rico, but there are always thousands more ready to pour in, hoping to find Shangri-La in the slums of Manhattan.

Although there are a few well-to-do Puerto Ricans—the earlier settlers—and a group with moderate incomes, most of New York's Puerto Ricans live in squalor and poverty. About 10 percent are on relief, and costing the taxpayer \$15,000,000 a year.

It looks as if the Puerto Rican problem will be with New York for a long time.

School problem

MAYOR ROBERT WAGNER has had it flung in his lap just when he is overwhelmed with trouble. For some time there has been dispute over the situation in New York's public schools. Public here means public, and not what it means in England when referring to schools.

There have been many cases of violence and crime and immorality reported, but hardly anyone was prepared for the revelations of the past week.

According to investigations carried out by the New York Daily News and other publications there is literally "teenage terrorism," with teachers being bludgeoned and knifed but afraid to report to the authorities and wholesale gangsterism, vandalism, and immorality in hundreds of schools.

The Mayor has formed a committee to curb "juvenile anarchy," and says: "We mean business." Parents hope so.

Broadway is under the microscope. For years the honky-tonk, the flea circus, the pineapple stand, and the shanty—play have been moving in, turning the Great White Way to a shabby grey, and now the City Planning Commission says: "No more jukeboxes, freak shows, auction rooms, penny arcades, wax museums, and bagatelles."

The old glory is to be restored—maybe.

The week's opening, "The Burning Gilt," got only lukewarm reviews, although Sir Cedric Hardwicke was praised for gallant work.

Recognition

AT last Jack Hawkins' fine talents are being recognised here, and all Hollywood is after him.

Some of the cloak-and-dagger columnists are busily slithering slyly into Oona O'Neill Chaplin because she became a British subject. Some gentlemen of the Press!

My thanks to John Davis, managing director of the Arthur Rank Organisation, for his letter. Davis deserves to win his little to put over British films here.

Mary Martin is determined to do Barrie's "Peter Pan" in San Francisco and Los Angeles, but not New York or London.

Hollywood says no one objects to President Eisenhower playing a little golf, unless he leaves someone else holding the bag.

SEIZED: MAKER OF DREAMS

By Donald Ludlow

NEW YORK. SAUL GELB, boss of so-called Dreams Incorporated, and his woman friend, Mrs Joan Kaufmann, are in the hands of the police after the biggest haul in illicit drugs for 35 years.

This man Gelb is suave and dapper and 57, is America's chief enemy in the attempt to smash the drug traffic that corrodes so much of the nation's young life.

He looks like a distinguished banker, and he kept a lavishly-furnished Manhattan penthouse and a smart summer home in New York State.

With Gelb were seized drugs worth \$2,000,000 at retail prices. There was 8lb. of heroin, 8lb. of raw opium, and 1,140ozs. of cooked opium, all ready for smoking in a dingy walk-up flat on East Side.

DOLLS that really talk and walk are being shown to 12,000 buyers in town for the great American Toy Fair.

Lions and tigers and bears roar and snarl and grunt; cars and trains sound real too.

Only for families with girls is there much prospect of Christmas peace and quiet; the fashion is mini-cookery—pots and pans and miniature stoves that will really cook.

PACKAGE atom-power plants may soon heat and light America's Arctic bases in Alaska and Greenland. Firms are being asked to build experimental types.

THE AETNA MILL, Troy, New York, once one of America's leading manufacturers of women's underwear, has closed its doors. "People don't wear long Johns any more," said its boss, Mr R. A. Smith. "Central heating and heated cars have killed the trade."

MEN OF MICHIGAN gaoled for falling behind in alimony may now do their jobs during the day, and spend the night in jail.

"They'll never get out of debt if they're not allowed to work," says Governor Mennen Williams, who has just signed the Bill.

HARVARD is saying a sad farewell to Miss Helen Maud Cam, its first woman professor. She is retiring under the university's age limit, 70.

Miss Cam is an Englishwoman from Abingdon, Berks. She taught history at Holloway College and Cambridge, and went out to Harvard in 1948. The American students call her "The medieval teacher" with the hearty laugh."

She is small, neat and kind and earnest. She always wears tweed suits, and her hair is severely brushed back.

Says Harvard's newspaper: "A person of great learning without a touch of the pedant."



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Ever Since Genevieve

By Yorke Henderson

UNTIL "Genevieve" sputtered across Britain's cinema screens to become overnight a national comedy star, Britons lived almost in blissful ignorance of what the motoring cognoscenti call veteran cars.

To them, DeDion-Bouton meant as much as the quantum theory; Darracq might have been one of the Three Musketeers; and he probably thought a Spiker was a knock-out drink.

Blissful ignorance—because like golf and heroin, the veteran car cult is not only habit-forming, it remoulds a man's life, changing him to a jangling-nerved automaton who eschews friends and loved ones, and lets his career founder, just so long as he can indulge the overpowering craving.

Even when the ordinary man, under "Genevieve's" influence, realised that this automotive ancestor-worship was being practised in England's green and pleasant land, he consoled himself with the thought that it was one of those national quirks, like understatement and wearing bowler hats.

Now, it seems the veteran car cult has found a footing in the United States—probably in reaction to the soul-shattering onslaughts of the gadget-mongers.

Wrote Songs

Somewhat it is hard to imagine Americans ever having had anything as staid as these. An do stately horseless carriages. But they not only had them; they even wrote songs about them. "The Girl in the Stanley Steamer" was one. The Stanley Steamer, incidentally, was, as its name implies, a steam-driven automobile, and it could more than hold its own with its more conventional contemporaries.

Up till now Britain's veteran enthusiasts have been content to let off steam—in every sense—once a year on their annual rally to Brighton. This year, however, the sport becomes international, for a team of five American veterans will cross the Atlantic in August for the first ever Anglo-American veteran car rally.

Ambitiously, the organisers have planned that these venerable vehicles should cover 850 miles in eight days. They will start in Edinburgh on September 4 and end up at Goodwood car track. Since it is probable you may be on leave and that during these eight days you may encounter dusty or rain-soaked gentlemen in dustcoats and goggles, it might be safer to give you a couple of pointers.

For some of the American people are fooled all of the time by Senator McCarthy; more are fooled part of the time.

These Americans are genuinely convinced that, although he may be a little bit rough, Joe is doing a useful and necessary job.

They think that where there's smoke there must be fire. They are not always wrong. But it must be made plain that the chief of the fire brigade is the President.

Mr Truman used to have on his desk a sign reading "The buck stops here." Every President who wants to be really President must have this principle engraved in his heart, as well as on a block of wood. The time is running out during which Mr Eisenhower can act on this principle.

And up to now, frankly, Mr Eisenhower has disappointed me as leader of the American people.

GRUBBY STAGE

BUT I am still confident that the American people will respond to a lead. After all, in McCarthy's own State, General Eisenhower got far more votes than he did. And all over the nation, the President ran ahead of the Republican Party.

I was in America for the Presidential campaign; I have been back there recently.

It was the feeling that the Truman Administration had got grubby that helped to defeat the Democrats. The McCarthy campaign has got to the grubby stage. I think the average American wants to clean up his act, and it is coming to realize that mud-slinging is not house cleaning.

If the President appeals to the great and still unimpaired well of support for him—and dislike of McCarthy—he can bring in a gusher.

I hope he will. Probably, now, no one else can.

Finally: don't confuse "veteran" with "vintage" cars. Vintage cars from America will be competing with British counterparts at the same time. But any such confusion will earn you nothing but the thundering wrath of both sets of devotees.

In broad terms, veteran cars are those built before the first World War. Vintage cars date from around 1910 up to 1930.

The main difference is in performance. Although 100 mph enthusiasts call it "the ton" was first reached by an Edwardian automobile, the average veteran is no record-breaker. Many good vintage models, particularly sports types, can and still do, hold their own with the latest in road-racers.

In this field we should sort out the Americans in a large way. During their vintage years they produced many good machines. But nothing left the Detroit factories to compare with classics like the old Red Label Bentley, or that all-time colossus, the 30/98 Vauxhall, not to mention jobs like the Lea-Francis, the Invicta and the Riley.

You wonder why anyone can be bothered pottering about with temperamental relics like veteran cars? No one can tell you in words. But if, even you're privileged to clamber behind one of their sturdy "all-up-and-down" steering wheels, and feel that single cylinder pumping out its tough old heart, then, maybe you know the answer.

DIFFERENCES

MANY people in Britain have been puzzled that McCarthy could rise so swiftly. But here I must explain that the United States is not Britain. A great deal of the confusion that McCarthy is causing arises from the neglect of this simple truth.

Why, we are continually being asked, doesn't President Eisenhower stop McCarthy?

Isn't he leader of the Republican Party?

Didn't he and McCarthy get elected on the same ticket?

Why doesn't he take McCarthy's powers away from him?

All these questions show that the basic differences between the American and British systems are not understood.

Mr Eisenhower is leader of the Republican Party because

Well, the Senate is a small body of 98 members rather like a club. It has club rules, and every senator protects the privileges of every other senator in order to protect his own.

He knew that a committee with no Democratic members would not have the weight of a mixed committee. He gave up one or two prerogatives to keep the basic one.

The senator, it should be repeated, is a very smart man.

President Eisenhower cannot behave as a British or Canadian Prime Minister could, and put Senator McCarthy in his place by parliamentary methods.

He can do it only by asserting, and by showing that he means it, that he is President and, as such, he and he alone controls the executive government of the United States. All employees of the United States owe obedience to him, not to the Senate and much less to a senator.

What are these rights? A virtually unlimited right to summon anybody before his committee and harass him with any questions that seem relevant to the senator. He can be both the toughest district attorney, harassing a witness, and the judge saying: "Objection overruled."

True, the other members of his committee could overrule him, but that would be a breach of the "courtesy of the Senate."

Plenty of officials and plenty

Has Eisenhower forgotten that motto I remember on Harry Truman's desk? . . .

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SOUTH CHINA 2, ROYAL AIR FORCE 3

GO(A)LDEN BOY TOTH INSPIRES RAF FIGHTERS TO A GRAND VICTORY

By L.M. MacTAVISH

BRAVO, THE BOYS IN LIGHT BLUE.... There was no fluke about this victory.... the better team won, and they won because they refused to be overawed by big reputations.... They refused to be shaken out of their confidence when a bad defensive error allowed the South China side to get an undeserved interval lead.... and above all they refused to fall back on defence once they got their noses in front midway through the second half.

What a great pity the big crowd that packed the same stadium on Tuesday didn't delay their attendance for just twenty-four hours. Here they would, at least have got their money's worth, for although this was never a great game in a footballing sense, it was a strenuous surging struggle between two sides of widely different styles.

It was a match that never lagged in interest and for that we had to thank the will-to-win-spirit of the Airmen. They never lost their confidence, and their helter-skelter raids into South China territory had the South China Hill boys in frequent panic and occasional chaos.

On this form South China were a very ordinary side, although in fairness it must be pointed out that they took the field without Pao King-ying and Tong Shoung, and that Soong Ling-sing was injured in the 12th minute. He was off the field for 20 minutes and even after his return he was little more than a willing passenger.

CONFUSION REIGNED

The astonishing thing about the South China side was the utter lack of plan in their work once they had lost the initiative. Wholesale changes were made in the line-up until confusion reigned in their ranks.

The Airmen, prompted by Toth and driven on by Martin, were not slow to take advantage of the positional muddles that arose in the Champion's defence and the fact that Tam Nai-huen did not have to pick the ball out of the net on more than three occasions were due to the valuable assistance he received from the goal posts and crossbar which saved at least three shots he knew next to nothing about.

South China contributed to their defeat by entering the game in far too complacent a frame of mind. They seemed to think they could win when and how they liked. When the real challenge came they were

THE "DOWNS"

After the 'ups' came the 'downs'.... for a shocking defensive error presented South China with another goal. The ball was tooted into the goal area; it seemed that the backs would have little difficulty in clearing the danger but for no apparent reason MacLaren suddenly dashed from his goal and completely misjudged the height and pace of the ball which went far over his upstretched hands to be tapped into the unguarded goal by Chu Wing-wah.

MacLaren looked the picture of misery as he contemplated his mistake, but the incident fortunately did not upset his mates who kept up their attack on the South China rear lines.

Toth had a hand in the equaliser when in the 13th minute of the second half he sent a perfect free-kick towards the far post and Loader rose above everyone to nod it past the helpless goalkeeper.

The struggle for the winner raged from end to end with the Airmen always the more likely to succeed and when they did, in the 56th minute, it was another grand goal. The ball moved right across the forward line to Armstrong. The left winger beat his man and as the covering defenders moved towards him, he blasted the ball into the net from a very narrow angle.

South China threw construction to the winds as they piled on the pressure to try and save the game. Lee Yat-ink was noted for kicking off his own goal-line.... Ko Po-keung was like Liu Yee up in the forward line with whom was now an eight man affair.... but, in spite of the RAF centre-half being carried inward from the field, the boys in blue held out to achieve what may be one of the biggest upsets of the seasons.... but what was also a victory on merit.

For the Airmen Toth was the guiding genius as well as being the outstanding player on the field. He got excellent support from his backs and half backs with little Martin running him close for honours. Up front Armstrong and Loader were the danger men with Gilbey and Elston the grafters.

In a sadly disappointing South China side only, Lau Yee Lau, Chi-ping, and Kwok Yung-lok, played as they can. Chu Wing-wah, entertaining as ever, is becoming an expensive luxury. He squandered enough opportunities to have won the game several times over.

VERDICT: The better team won, and a team from the RAF will update a few more funded 2000 points for season 14 over. This was a real battle, and only the 100,000 Hill boys will grant the boys in blue a victory.

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The Ring, Not The Law, Will Settle Outcome



The verdict having gone against him in an English court of law, Hugh Serville, who claims to be the Welterweight Champion of Trinidad, will now enter the ring to settle once and for all whether he or the other claimant, Hector Constantine, is the title-holder.

The contest takes place at Empress Hall on March 23, and here is Serville training hard at Joe Bloom's gymnasium.—Central Press Photo.

Third Round Of The Seven-a-Sides

By "PAK LO"

Yesterday afternoon the third round of the Blarney Stone Seven-a-Side tournament was played off at Causeway Bay in front of quite a large crowd. The one surprise was the struggle the Club "A" had to put up to win their match against the REME "Exiles". There are now no REME teams left in the Sevens. The Welch, however, still have their two teams going into the Quarter Finals on Saturday.

RAF (Kai Tak) "A" 11,
14th Field Regt. 0.

In the first few minutes the RAF were dreadfully slow off the mark and the 14th kept up the pressure and were awarded a penalty on the RAF 33-yard line, but they narrowly missed the opportunity, and the RAF then got into their stride from the penalty attempt; when Parker gathered and he was tackled too late as he had already passed to Chisholm who raced away to score under the posts. The kick was charged down, leaving the RAF with a three-point lead.

Shortly after the RAF were given a penalty for holding on when on the ground, and Davidson made no mistake to open the lead to six points. Then the 14th were awarded a penalty and Davidson gathered the kick which was short and kicked ahead and Chisholm out ran the rest of the field to gather and score under the posts. Davidson converted.

The second half opened with another penalty to the Welch which they again missed. The Welch now tried using only two forwards in the lineout, and it worked very well as they got their three away and Lewis scored in the corner. The long kick was very nicely converted.

There was no scoring in the second half through the 14th did most of the attacking, and once or twice the 14th following up would see them score.

The RAF concentrated on kicks to touch until the final whistle.

Welch "A" 13, HMS Newcastle 0.

The first half of this game was

very even and it was only in the last minute that the Welch had a chance which their threees got beautifully into motion, but with an open field in front of them they knocked on. They had a

chance with a penalty a second later but the distance was

too great.

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Twice the Boom Defence team got away and each time

when they kicked ahead the Welch managed to touch down.

Police "A" 3, 27th Li. Bty. 8.

Both teams only just managed

to field their full strength, and

for quite a while both tried to

take the ball through without

passing or kicking ahead, and

they made little progress.

The 27th in the last minute of

the first half realised their

error and kicked ahead and fol-

lowed up well and touched down

in the corner. Wright, who was outstanding in the last

game, repeated his performance

and converted.

In the second half the Police

used four men in the lineout,

but they could not get the ball.

Then on the Police 23 the 27th

got a penalty well out but

Wright put it over with little

effort.

A minute later and the 27th

got yet another penalty, but

this time Wright spoiled his

record by missing. The Police

attacked in the final minute

with a nice dribble by Brown

who took it over the line and

touched down. The kick was

missed.

Club "B" 9, Old Crocks 9.

Club "B" 9 started well and

kept up the pressure and tackled

as well as the Old Crocks. In

the last minute of the first half

the ball came from a lineout to

Henderson who passed it out to

Turville who scored about half

way out. The kick was missed.

The Australians have been

selected to represent Portugal in

the Finals of the Ladies' Hockey

International against England

on Sunday at Club de Recreio

Ground, fully off at 3.00 p.m.

D. Ozorio, Rosa-Pereira, E. Sousa,

F. Ferreira (Capt.), E. Almeida, G.

Almeida, S. Correia, L. Colaço, M.

Ribeiro, L. Gomes, R. Gomes, J.

Almeida, T. Noronha, S. Colaço.

Players are requested to wear

Portuguese Colours and be at the

ground fifteen minutes before

the game starts.

For the record, the

Portuguese team consists of

the following:

Goalkeeper: J. Gomes.

Defenders: J. Gomes, J. Gomes,

J. Gomes, J. Gomes, J. Gomes,

Hush . . The Scout Has A System For Mr Green

MR GREEN: Pleased to meet you again, Scout, and all that but frankly, I'm here with a bit of a chip on my shoulder. After our talks last year, I thought you had given me the answers to my betting problems. I discussed the matter with my young friend Jack Smart, and we decided to run a system on your naps.

THE SCOUT: That should not have been too painful, surely? They showed a profit of more than nine points on a level stake.

G.—That may be so, but the way Jack Smart and I ran our system on your naps, they showed a loss of 255 points.

Excuse me, Scout, but my young friend reckons that you should be demoted to Tenderfoot. We had to stop betting.

S.—What on earth happened? **G.—**We decided to double up, as soon as you had given three consecutive losers. You will surely remember you struck a disastrous sequence of 11?

B.—Indeed. But that figure is not exceptional. If anything, it is on the low side. Your young friend has led you into a common error.

G.—What's that?

S.—By disregarding the element of luck. No man ever broke the bank at Monte Carlo by betting against those runs of luck which happen at the tables.

FIRST RULE

If that is true of inanimate cards and a spinning wheel, it applies much more strongly to

ASIAN GAMES

Japan Sending 148 Athletes, 43 Officials

Tokyo, Mar. 17. Japan will be represented at the Second Asian Games in Manila in May with a 191-man delegation of 43 officials and 148 athletes.

A joint announcement by the Japan Olympic Committee and the Second Asian Games Preparation Committee announced the following breakdown of some of the athlete delegation:

Track and Field, 59; Swimming, 51; Soccer, 21; Boxing, 10; Basketball 13; Wrestling 11; Weightlifting, 6; Shooting, 8.

375,000 COST

The full delegation marked a reduction of 56 members from the original plans due to a shortage of foreign exchange funds. It was announced. This, plus the chartering of a Japan Airlines plane, will enable the Manila trip to be made at a cost within \$75,000 it was said.

The departure for Manila has been scheduled as follows:

April 21—First contingent of officials by Pan-American plane. April 27—10 track and field and other athletes by Japan Airways.

April 29—Soccer, boxing, basketball, wrestling, weightlifting teams by Japan Airways plane.

April 30—Swimming team and officials by Philippine Airlines plane.—United Press.

LaStarza Does Well In Verbal Workout

London, Mar. 17. Roland LaStarza, American heavyweight boxer, who is to meet the British champion, Don Cockell, at Earl's Court, London, on March 30, arrived here by air today.

Within three hours of his sleepless all-night Atlantic crossing, he had his first work-out—a verbal one. Starza was on his feet replying to a speech by boxing promoter Jack Solomons and was thought to have done well.

In his fight with Cockell, however, he will be giving away nearly 30 pounds and facing the possibility of a world title fight with champion Rocky Marciano, to whom he has already lost once.

LaStarza is confident and determined to turn hard. He will do his work around Hyde Park. With him in London are his manager, Jimmy D'Angelo, and trainer, Nick Florio.—France-Press.

Boat Race Trial

London, Mar. 17. Spain and Turkey tied 2-2 after 30 minutes extra time in their world soccer cup pre-liminary play-off today before 60,000 fans.

Goals are to be drawn now to decide the winner.—United Press.

World Cup Match

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HALF WAY TO A THOUSAND



Sam Bartram, Charlton Athletic's goalkeeper, who has now played in 500 League matches for his team. — Express Photo.

Oxford Seeks Victory With Row-As-You-Please Crew

By JACK SENN

Where the winding Thames straightens out to pass under Wallingford's weathered bridge, eight of Britain's fittest athletes are preparing for one of the sporting calendar's most gruelling events.

They train as intensely as a world heavyweight boxing champion. But no fat purses for them. These men of brawn are the Oxford Boat Race crew.

Between those picturesque, willow-lined banks they prepare for the Battle of the Blues, to be fought out between Putney and Mortlake on April 3.

This year's Boat Race is a special occasion. It is the centenary of the event. Oxford hope to celebrate it by ending a Cambridge monopoly which has given the Light Blues a 53-45 lead, with one drawn.

And they aim to do it in little fashion. In the words of Mr H.M.C. Quick, the President, "Each man will row in his own way."

I'd always regarded a boat crew as a human rowing machine. It was the last place I expected to find individualism.

REVOLUTIONARY "The reason for such a revolutionary change," explained Mr Quick, "is that this year's Oxford boat contains so many mixed styles that it would be impossible to train them all exactly the same way. The only old Blue is the cox, and four of the newcomers are Australians.

"Unlike Cambridge we've not set style into which we can fit the new men."

Can such emangement work against the machine-like Cambridge crew?

We'll know on the day. But, watching Oxford battle against a fast-slaving Tham's, I was soon convinced that they were far from haphazard. The oars moved in perfect rhythm.

The Oxford and Cambridge styles differ in the body movements. Cambridge move every muscle in time. In the Oxford boat each man stretches according to his needs. Legs and bodies need not move in exactly similar co-ordination.

Far from being a drawback, Quick claims that this way has

They are (with weights in pounds):

Sailing Light 129, Dumbarton 124, Wyke Poole 122, Swashbuckler 120, Harry Lime and Chivalry 118, Nullabor 117, Langton 116, Brig and Romany 115, Rose Castle and Capizzi 113, Nohar 112, Big Burn and Wallace's Tower 110, Postman's Path 109, Tangram 108, Arctic Slope, Ambassador's Court, Desert Way and Melinda 107, Brawny Scot and Milions 105, Rego 103, Magic Circle 101, Monsieur Izy, Light Mist, Oriental Bay and Royal Lady 99, Globetrotter and Barbara Louise 98, Epitope 97, Shandong 95, Kalgurli 94, Charles Manning 93, Enigmatist 91 and Miss Portia 91.

BUTTERFLIES And another thing. Perhaps more than other athletes, oarsmen are prone to suffer from "butterflies" in the stomach. In addition to tremendous physical strain, they must counter great mental

stress. This comes from the feeling that, if they do not pull their weight one hundred per cent, they will sabotat the whole crew's efforts.

When these nervous attacks occur, the victim can do little more than continue in rhythm, but without putting drive into it.

Each University is glad that the other boat hasn't an American. So highly are American oarsmen regarded, it's felt that just one in a crew could tip the scales in their favour.

As it is, Oxford's four Australians, flawless in rowing technique and great fighters, may turn the tide between Putney and Mortlake and open the way for an Oxford rowing revival.

Mr Quick thinks that with each man rowing in his accustomed style, there is less chance of such a repetition.

There are no Yanks at Oxford—or Cambridge—this year. At least, not from the rowing point of view.

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- President's Report.
- Adoption of Annual Report and Accounts.
- Election of Officers and Members of the General Committee.
- Any other Business.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 25th March, 1954 until Thursday, 2nd April, 1954, both days inclusive.

By Order of the General Committee,

H. M. G. FORSGATE,
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IN THE GOODS of WILLIAM PATERSON late of Thurleigh Hall, Wethercote Lane, Wethercote, formerly of Rockybank R.H.L. 613 Deep Water Bay Road, Hongkong. Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 20 of the Probate, Administration and Settlement Ordinance Chapter 10, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send to the Court claims against the above Estate to the Fourteenth day of April, 1954.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated this Sixteenth day of March, 1954.

DEACONS, Solicitors & Notaries, Hong Kong.

Solicitors for the Administrator with the will annexed of the deceased.

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